

Music for the Generations

S FAR BACK AS the crossing of the Reed Sea, the great songs of our people have been performed with accompaniment. "Then Miriam the Prophetess, Aaron's sister, took a tambourine in her hand, and all the women followed her with tambourines and dancing." (Ex. 15:20) From the lyres and cymbals played in the Temple by the Levites, to the harp that sat above King David's bed as he composed the psalms, the sweet singers of Israel have done their best work in the presence of masterful accompaniment.

Although the thought of Neil Robinson holding a tambourine stretches the imagination, it is fair to say that for the 48 years that Neil has been our Organist and Choir Master, Park Avenue Synagogue has been an embodiment of our tradition's highest ideals. Hired by Hazzan David Putterman, z''l, in 1965, Neil has made our congregation the center of sacred Jewish music not only for generations of our members, but also for the community at

large. Rabbi Milton Steinberg, z"l, once

defined the task of Jewish music as "the preservation and recapitulation of the past of Jewish music; the adaptation of it to the musical present; the stimulation of new Jewish musical creativity." Together with different cantors and choirs, across the gamut of musical tastes, throughout every day of his tenure, Neil has fulfilled this mandate. He demands the best from himself and all those around him. The personal esteem in which Neil is held by his professional colleagues and community is beyond measure; our personal affection and

friendships will, please God, extend long after his retirement from PAS this summer. If, as Emerson wrote, "every institution is the lengthened shadow of one man," then the musical future of PAS will forever exist beneath the warm shade of Neil's accompaniment.

This month we will celebrate the exemplary qualities of PAS pulpit leadership. On Sunday, May 20 at 4:00 pm, our Annual

Musicale will honor Neil Robinson, and we will wish him well at the reception that follows. Please come that afternoon and express your gratitude to him individually as we show our appreciation as a community.

On Thursday, May 31 at 7:00 pm, we will learn with Dr. Erica Brown, the nationally renowned scholar, in honor of the 100th birthday of Rabbi Judah Nadich, z"l.

Both occasions will be opportunities not only to reflect on past decades of musical and rabbinic leadership, but also to on how best to build on our rich heritage. Perhaps Cantor David

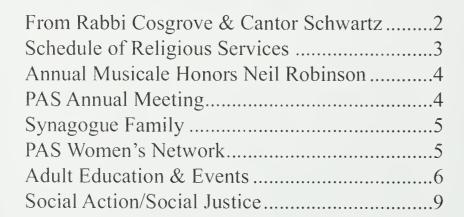
Lefkowitz said it best: "May the awareness of our past leaders and their accomplishments continue to inspire our present and future leaders, as they build Park Avenue Synagogue for their times, which may be a source of meaningful pride to future eras that will follow."

Neil, thank you for your leadership, your music and your friendship and know that you will continue to inspire us into the generations to come!

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Daily minyanim Monday-Friday at 7:15 am; Sundays and Legal Holidays at 9:00 am. Minha/Ma'ariv Sunday-Thursday at 5:45 pm. Any changes are noted when they occur:

FRIDAY, MAY 4 12 lyyar

6:00 pm | Minha

6:15 pm | Friday Evening service

SATURDAY, MAY 5 13 Iyyar

Parashat Aharei Mot/K'doshim

9:15 am | Sanctuary service

Bar Mitzvah of Jeremy Silverman,

son of Jeffrey Silverman & Susan Brous Silverman

11:15 am | YFE services (see p. 11)

20 mins after morning services | Minha

FRIDAY, MAY 11 19 Iyyar

6:00 pm | Minha

6:15 pm | Friday Evening service with Birthday Blessings

SATURDAY, MAY 12 20 Iyyar

Parashat Emor

9:15 am | Sanctuary service

9:30 am | Havurah service

The Havurah is an informal, lay-led Shabbat morning service held in the Rothschild Library. People of all ages and skill levels attend and take turns leading and reading parts of the service.

Bat Mitzvah of Josephine Shapiro,

daughter of Eytan Shapiro & Lesley-Anne Gliedman

20 mins after morning services | Minha

5:00 pm | YFE Havdalah

FRIDAY, MAY 18 26 Iyyar

5:00 pm | YFE Shabbat service & Tiny Treasures (see p. 11)

6:00 pm | Minha

6:15 pm | Friday Evening service

SATURDAY, MAY 19 27 Iyyar

Parashat B'har/B'hukkotai

9:15 am | Sanctuary service

9:30 am | Havurah service

Bat Mitzvah of Laura Winter, daughter of Alan & Alison Winter

11:15 am | YFE services (see p. 11)

20 minutes after morning services | Minha

FRIDAY, MAY 25 4 Sivan

6:00 pm | Minha

6:15 pm | Friday Evening service

SATURDAY, MAY 26 5 Sivan

Parashat B'midbar

9:15 am | Sanctuary service

20 minutes after morning services | Minha

9:00 pm | Shavuot Evening Service -

9:30 pm | Tikkun Leil Shavuot - Evening of Study

in honor of Memorial Day

SUNDAY, MAY 27 6 Sivan

Shavuot

9:15 am | Festival service

20 mins after morning services | Minha

No service at 5:45 pm

MONDAY, MAY 28 7 Sivan

Shavuot

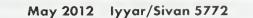
9:15 am | Festival service with Yizkor and

Memorial to Our Nation's Fallen

20 mins after morning services | Minha

Lag Baomer is a minor holiday that falls on the 33rd bay of the prior count. It gets its name from the numerical value assigned to the Hebrew letters *lamed* (30) and *gimel* (3). Thirty-three is *lamed-gimel*, or *lag*, so the thirty-third day of the omer count is *Lag BaOmer*.

Lag BaOmer is celebrated today by picnics and outdoor games. There is an old custom that children play with bows and arrows in recollection of the students of Rabbi Akiva, who would defy the Roman authorities who forbade Torah study by going out with bows and arrows as if they were hunting, but actually meeting outside to study. Kabbalists say that the bows represent the rainbow that will appear as a sign of the final redemption. For those who observe mourning practices during *sefirat ha-omer*, Lag BaOmer is a day when those practices are lifted.



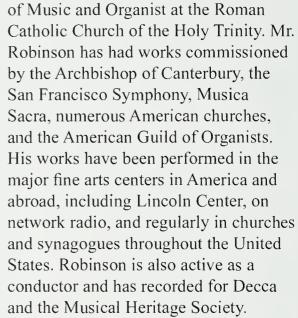
Annual Musicale Honors Neil Robinson

HIS YEAR'S MUSICALE WILL HONOR OUR LONG-TIME ORGANIST, NEIL ROBINSON, who is retiring

after almost 50 years of service to our congregation. Neil Robinson came to PAS in 1965, after Hazzan David Putterman had heard him perform in the public television broadcast of the newly commissioned Kiddush by Kurt Weill. Hazzan Putterman took the young organist under his wing, teaching him the words of the siddur and the nuances of Hazzanut, and claiming that Neil had a yiddisha neshama, a Jewish soul. In addition to accompanying our cantors, Neil Robinson has directed our choirs and has composed many settings for our liturgy. Thanks to his extraordinary leadership, Park Avenue Synagogue has not only preserved the musical legacy of the past, but has also been a leader in the creation of contemporary liturgical music.

McNeil Robinson maintains an international career as an organ recitalist. His prowess as an improviser has resulted

in his recognition as one of the all-time great European and American organists. One of the most prominent musicians in New York City, McNeil Robinson is Chair of the Organ Department at the Manhattan School of Music. His students have won top awards in national and international organ competitions and many hold prominent positions throughout the United States. In addition to serving as organist here at PAS, he is the Director



Park Avenue Synagogue has been privileged and honored to have Neil Robinson as our organist for almost half a century. He in turn feels, as he wrote in our 125th anniversary book, *Unbroken Chain*, that "in my...years at Park Avenue Synagogue, I have received

much more than I have contributed."

Be here on Sunday, May 20, for an afternoon of uplifting music celebrating our half century of collaboration with Neil Robinson.



PAS Annual Musicale

Tribute to Neil Robinson

Sunday | May 20 | 4:00 pm

A festive reception will follow.

Event



PAS Annual Meeting | Thursday, May 17 | 7:00 pm

Don't miss this opportunity to learn about the governance of the congregation and to recognize the members of the synagogue who volunteer their time and effort to make our community flourish. Join Rabbi Cosgrove and Chairman of the Board Steven M. Friedman in showing our appreciation to members of the Board and the Advisory Council who have reached their term limits. In his annual "State of the Congregation" speech, Steve Friedman will reflect on our achievements over the past year, present the budget, present objectives for next year and welcome new trustees and advisory council members.

CHOOSE WHAT EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS YOU WILL RECEIVE FROM PAS. Go to pasyn.org; under Our Events, click on Email Sign Up. Click on the link and then fill out the form. To change your choices, return to the website and submit the form again.



BNEI MITZVAH בני מצוה



JEREMY SILVERMAN
May 5 | Aharei Mot/K'doshim

Jeremy began his Jewish life at PAS with his bris and has continued ever since! He was part of the original HaMishpachah Sheli class, attended the ECC, is a student

in the Congregational School and looks forward to joining the high school. Favorite PAS experiences have been writing a letter in the 125th Anniversary Torah and going with his family on the first two Congregational Trips to Israel.

In 7th grade at the Fieldston School, Jeremy's favorite subjects are English and history and he plays the trumpet in the band. He also plays ice hockey on the North Park travel team and Docs lacrosse. Jeremy volunteers with the Gift of Literacy Program helping 1st graders learn to love reading as he does. As part of his bar mitzvah project with the Give a Mitzvah – Do a Mitzvah program at UJA Federation, Jeremy is supporting the rebuilding of a library that was devastated by a fire at the Yemin Orde Youth Village in the Carmel Mountains.

Jeremy has enjoyed learning about his double parashah, which includes many of the rules Jews should follow. He is happy to follow in the footsteps of his brothers, Sam and Adam, as a bar mitzvah on the PAS bimah. He wants to thank his family, his teachers at PAS, the clergy and his tutor, Michael Wolk, who have been so helpful and supportive.



JOSEPHINE SHAPIRO May 12 | Parashat Emor

Josephine has been a student at the PAS Congregational School since Kindergarten. She is in 7th grade at The Dalton School, where her favorite subject is math. She

loves playing soccer, basketball and tennis as well as skiing.

Josephine loves to travel with her family including recent trips to Morocco and Argentina as well as a memorable time on the PAS Israel trip just over a year ago.

Josephine wishes to thank Rabbi Cosgrove, Rabbi Rein and Cantor Kidron for helping her prepare for her Bat Mitzvah.



LAURA BROOKE WINTER

May 19 | Parashat B'har/B'hukkotai Laura began her education at the Park Avenue Synagogue Early Childhood Center and has continued her Jewish education at the synagogue's

Congregational School. Laura is in 7th Grade at the Town School and will graduate from there next year.

Laura is a serious student who always has a smile on her face and a skip in her step. Laura a/k/a Elle has been singing since she was a three-year-old in the Purple Room and hopes to have a career in the entertainment industry. She has co-written and recorded nine original songs and enjoys uploading music to her YouTube channel ElleWinterx. Laura loves fashion and was definitely born with a sense of style. Laura is also an advanced hip hop dancer and really enjoys her dance classes at Steps.

Laura and her family want to thank all the clergy and tutors who helped her to prepare for her Bat Mitzvah.

מזל טוב MAZAL TOV

→ DONNA & MARC ELLENBOGEN on the birth

of a daughter, Lyla Reese, and to the big brothers, Spencer and Korey.

ERICA & BRIAN JACOB on the birth of a daughter, Reese, and to big brother Aiden and big sister Talia.

CARLY & DAN ROSENBERG on the birth of a daughter, Madeleine Elizabeth, and to the big sister and brother Harper and Jack, and to the grandparents, Willa & Joe Rosenberg.

WELCOME ברוכים הבאים

Ignacio Boulan & Jaclyn Boulan |

David & Jessica Cosloy | Stephen & Marjorie Fiverson | Leonard & Laura Grossman | Scott & Allison Group | Aaron & Moriah Hara | Adam & Jennifer Karol | Gavin & Sara Markus | Jeffrey & Samantha Mizrahi | Gordon & Claudia Novod | Paula Offricht | Matthew & Amie Schulman | Barry & Joan Winograd

CONDOLENCES המקום ינחם

Steven & Stacy
Wolfe on the loss

of his father, Michael P. Wolfe / Phyllis Barber, Daniel Barber and David Barber on the loss of their husband and father / Michael and Lika Behmoaras on the loss of his mother, Charlotte Behmoaras.



PAS WOMEN'S NETWORK — A PLACE TO CONNECT

PAS women, we've got a name and a date for you! Thank you to everyone who submitted creative and well thought-out names for our new women's group. After much discussion about the dozens of names submitted, our committee chose the new group's name: **PAS Women's Network**. It's fresh, modern and speaks to the community and connections this group will provide to us all. We invite all women in the congregation to become active in this new group with a mix of social, spiritual and intellectual activities. Mark your calendars for our opening event Thursday, October 11, and get ready to join PAS Women's Network – *A Place to Connect*.

www.pasyn.org 212-369-2600 May 2012 | Iyyar/Sivan 5772

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ADULT EDUCATION & EVENTS

For additional descriptions of the classes and events listed here, as well as registration information, if any, please look at the Winter-Spring Program Calendar or on www.pasyn.org under Adult Education.

Weekly



MONDAY

Adult Bat Mitzvah
7:30 - 8:45 pm | Marga Hirsch

TUESDAY

Essential Essays

8:00 am, after morning minyan Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

Contemporary Jewish Thought |

11:30 am | Rabbi Steven Rein

Hebrew 101

6:15 – 7:05 pm | Dina Mann (meets only on May 1)

Introduction to Judaism

6:15 – 8:15 pm | Rabbi Steven Rein (meets only on May 1 & 8)

WEDNESDAY

Florence Melton Adult Mini-School | 6:45 - 9:00 pm

Context | 6:45 - 9:30 pm (meets only on May 9)

The Melton Graduate Program

Jewish Denominations: Addressing the Challenges of Modernity

8:00 - 9:15 pm | Rabbi Zalman Rothschild (meets only on May 2)

THURSDAY

Florence Melton Adult Mini-School

9:15 - 11:30 am

The Melton Graduate Program

Shemot 1: From Slavery to Sinai

10:30 - 11:45 am | Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove (meets only on May 3)

Library Lunch & Learn

12:00 - 1:00 pm | Senior Staff

Congregational Singers

7:00 pm | Cantor Azi Schwartz

FRIDAY

Talmud Torah: Capital Punishment in the Talmud

8:00 am, after morning minyan Rabbi Steven Rein

SATURDAY

Parashat HaShavua | 8:45 am

Above: The Indian Hunter, John Quincy Adams Ward, 1860. Making American Taste: Narrative Art for a New Democracy, New-York Historical Society, Gift of Mr. George A. Zabriskie. See May 10.

Edmond de Rothschild Library Hours

Monday - Thursday: 12:00 - 6:30 pm | Friday: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Librarian: Marga Hirsch

The library is always open. In Marga's absence, follow instructions on her desk for checking out and returning books.

This Month at PAS



Cantor Azi Schwartz, see May 1



Dr. Erica Brown, see May 31

A Cantor's Perspective on Jewish Music

Tuesdays | May 1, 8, 15 | 6:00 – 7:00 PM Cantor Azi Schwartz

The cantor will share his extensive knowledge of Jewish music and even sing a song or two!

Sponsored by Sisterhood

The Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Memorial Lecture:

"Zionists and Non-Zionists: Can Israeli Government Be Effective?"

Professor Harold Waller | Thursday | May 3 | 7:00 pm

Israel's electoral system and the multiple political parties it spawns have given Israel a reputation for governmental confusion. The challenge is compounded because a significant portion of the population – Arabs, the Ultra-Orthodox, and some Russian immigrants – do not share the Founders' vision of the Zionist state. What is the solution?

DR. HAROLD M. WALLER is Professor of Political Science and Chair of North American Studies at McGill University.

Men's Club Regional Dinner

Sunday | May 6 | 5:00 pm | Plainview Jewish Center PAS Honorees: Maury Harris, Jonathan Aisenberg and Lizzy Noble.

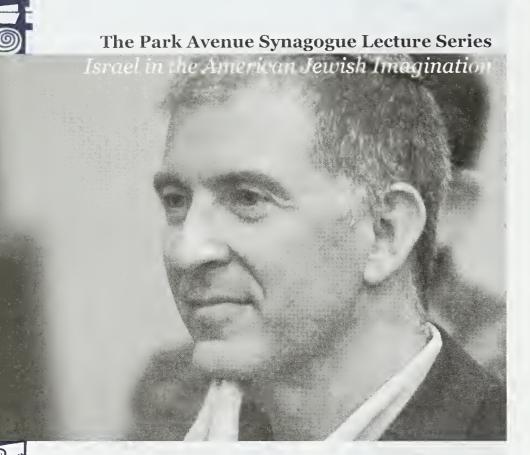
An Evening of Learning Celebrating the Legacy of Rabbi Judah Nadich on the 100th Anniversary of his Birth

"Master Narratives/Modern Stories: How a Biblical Past Informs a Literary Present"

Thursday | May 31 | 7:00 pm | Guest Lecturer: Dr. Erica Brown DR. ERICA BROWN is the scholar-in-residence for the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington and consults for the Jewish Agency and other non-profits. She is the author of *In the Narrow Places; Spiritual Boredom; Confronting Scandal* and *Inspired Jewish Leadership*, a National Jewish Book Award finalist. Previously a Jerusalem Fellow, Dr. Brown is a faculty member of the Wexner Foundation, an Avi Chai Fellow, and the recipient of the 2009 Covenant Award for her work in Jewish Education.

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Rabbi Dr. Donniel Hartman

Tuesday | May 8 | 7:00 pm | \$

President of the Shalom Hartman Institute and director of its Engaging Israel Project, Donniel Hartman is the founder of some of the most extensive education, training and enrichment programs for scholars, educators and rabbis. He is the author of *The Boundaries of Judaism*, the co-editor of *Judaism and the Challenges of Modern Life* and the co-author of *Spheres of Jewish Identity*

Monthly/Bimonthly

"Last Lecture": Professor Upinder Dhillon, Binghamton University | Thursday | May 3 | 7:00 pm

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Daytime Book Discussion Group

Monday | May 7 | 11:00 am | Renée Waldinger Book: *The Hare With Amber Eyes* by Edmund de Waal

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Museum Visit to the New York Historical Society

"Making American Taste: Narrative Art for a New Democracy"

Thursday | May 10 | 1:30 pm | 170 Central Park West

Visit NYC's first museum, re-opened after a 3-year renovation. This groundbreaking exhibition, taken from the Society's collection, provides an understanding of the artwork that most appealed to Americans in the 19th century.

Cost: \$20/person. Please RSVP to Helene Agress at 212-362-1233. Meet the Sisterhood group in the lobby of the museum at 12:45 pm.

Women in the Bible

Friday | May 11 | 9:15 - 10:00 am | Debbie Cosgrove

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Sholem Aleichem Yiddish Club

Tuesday | May 15 | 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Caffeine for the Soul: Morning Torah Study

Friday | May 18 | 9:15 am | Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

Sponsored by WEG

Moonbeams | in honor of Rosh Hodesh Sivan

Monday | May 21 | 7:30 pm

For location and readings, contact joannrosoff@aol.com.

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Lunch/Film/Discussion: Out of Europe: One Lucky Family's Route from Belgium to

America | Tuesday | May 22 | 1:00 pm

This tale of courage and good luck presents a large Polish Jewish family that established itself in Belgium, but had to flee after the German invasion. Their route to survival took them through France, Spain, Portugal and finally, to the U.S.

Open only to Men's Club members

Torah on Tap | Thurs. | May 24 | 7:30 pm | R. Steven Rein

Sponsored by Tikkun Olam

God's Love We Deliver

Sunday | May 6 | 1:30 – 4:30 pm | Ages 18+ | 166 Avenue of the Americas

Prepare meals that will be delivered to people in Manhattan living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other serious illnesses. Space is limited to 10-12 people.



- REPORT FROM OUR MARCH MITZVAH OF THE MONTH -

Building Relationships Across Communities

EMBERS OF PAS visited with elderly Holocaust survivors at a Kaffeehaus sponsored by Self-help Community Services at The Hebrew Tabernacle in Washington Heights. The Tavim Youth Choir, led by Cantor Shiree Kidron, provided entertainment. Alexis Guberman, a singer with Tavim, said of her experience at the Kaffeehaus, "It felt really good to do something to bring happiness to others rather than just doing something for myself. Especially these people who made it through a long and hard life."

PAS was joined for the afternoon by members of United Sikhs, one of the organizations that participated in Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day in November. United Sikhs is a UN-affiliated, international non-profit, non-governmental, humanitarian relief, human development and advocacy organization.

Jejiemder Singh, who came from Queens for the afternoon, said of his conversations with the Holocaust survivors, "When I met the people who escaped Europe in the time of Hitler's control, and after listening to their life stories, I was moved. The fear they were living in was unimaginable."

Hannah Shirey, a Faiths Act fellow working with United Sikhs this year, found the encounter meaningful and inspiring. She wrote, "Jewish and Sikh narratives are different, yet they share common themes of devastating violence, ongoing discrimination, diaspora, value of tradition and love of community. When members of these communities actively listened to one another, their narratives flowed between people, creating relationships and solidarity. It was a moving day of interfaith action."

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Social Work Support

For PAS Seniors, Families and Caregivers

Thursdays | 10:00 am – 2:00 pm Yael Kornfeld, LMSW

For companionship, shopping assistance, an escort to a medical appointment, a volunteer opportunity or caregiver support for yourself or a family member, please contact our DOROT social worker Yael Kornfeld at 212-769-2850 or ykornfeld@dorotusa.org, or Rabbi Rein at srein@pasyn.org or at 212-369-2600, x124.

Social Work Support

For All PAS Members

Tues.: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm | Last Thurs. of month: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Aliza Scharf-Bendov, LCSW

Our JBFCS (Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services) social worker provides services including crisis intervention, loss and bereavement counseling, addiction and recovery services, and support for divorced individuals, single parents, those impacted by economic downturn and unexpected career transitions, families suffering from acute and chronic illness and parents who have children with mental health needs. Contact Aliza at 646-498-9352 or ascharf@jbfcs.org, or Rabbi Rein at srein@pasyn.org or at 212-369-2600, x124.

Onsite social work support is made possible by a UJA Partners in Caring grant.

CS School Program Schedule

Wednesday | May 2 | 5:15 – 6:45 pm Zayin Family B'nei Mitzvah Experience

Zayin students arrive with their parents. There is no class from 4:00 – 5:15 pm.

Saturday | May 5 | 9:15 am - 12:00 pm Gimel-Dalet-Hey Shabbat Experience

Wednesday | May 9 | 2nd Annual Arts Week

Thursday | May 10 | 2nd Annual Arts Week

Friday | May 11 - Saturday, May 12 Vav retreat at Camp Ramah Nyack

Saturday | May 12 | 9:15 am - 12:00 pm Gimel-Dalet-Hey Shabbat Experience

Monday | May 14 | 2nd Annual Arts Week Jewish Lens Reception

Tuesday | May 15 | 2nd Annual Arts Week

Saturday | May 19 | 9:15 am - 12:00 pm Gimel-Dalet-Hey Shabbat Experience

Monday | May 21 – Thursday, May 24 Last week of school

Wednesday | May 23

Hey Parent B'nei Mitzvah orientation

Tuesday, May 29 | 6:00 pm Tekkes Siyyum

for all Congregational School students and parents

Sunday, June 3 Celebrate Israel Parade

2nd Annual Arts Festival Week

High School Band Concert for Vav & Zayin learners

Wednesday | May 9 | 4:30 - 5:15 pm

Vav & Zayin learners will have a chance to meet the High School band members as well as to hear them play.

Congregational School Mural Opening and Tavim Performance

Thursday | May 10 | 5:30 - 6:00 pm Tuesday | May 15 | 5:30 - 6:00pm

We are thrilled to announce the opening of our Congregational School Community Mural! The entire PAS community, especially families of Congregational School students, are invited to the ceremony honoring our learners who are represented on our walls.

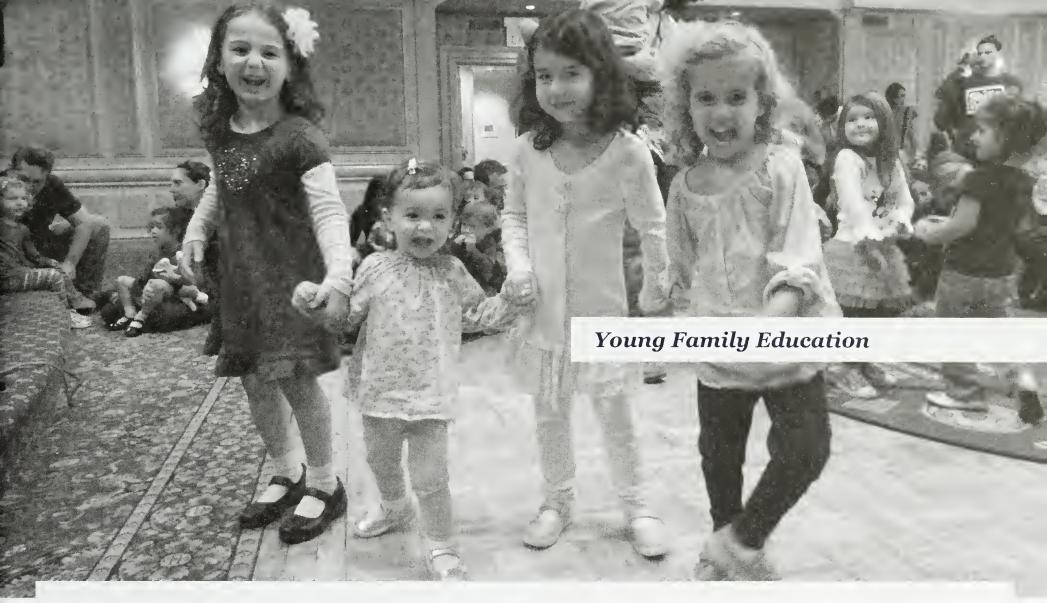
Jewish Lens Photography Opening Reception

Monday | May 14 | 5:00 - 6:00 pm

Zayin learners have partnered with Moshav Sde Yaacov in northern Israel to create photographic work through the Jewish Lens project. Both schools explored the theme of green mitzvot. PAS learners explored Tzedakah, taking care of trees, and protecting animals. The exhibition in the PAS gallery will present photography from participants in Israel as well as from our own learners.

Tekkes Siyyum (Moving Up Ceremony) | Tuesday, May 29 | 6:00 pm

The festival of Shavuot commemorates the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. Just after Shavuot, we will celebrate the many achievements of all our learners at the synagogue during the past year. As we mark the conclusion of the school year, representatives from every age group of learners (young and not so young!) will share some of the Torah they have learned together.



Shabbat Morning Programs

Saturdays | May 5, 19 | 11:15 am - 12:00 pm

TOT SHABBAT - For families with children ages $0-3 \mid Room\ 508$ SHORASHIM - For families with children ages 3-4 (pre-K) $\mid Room\ 308$ NITZANIM - For families with children ages $5-7 \mid Room\ 408$

Havdalah for Families with Young Children

Saturday | May 12 | 5:00 pm

Havdalah, "distinction," is the service that separates Shabbat from the rest of the week. Led by members of the clergy, we end Shabbat with a crafts project or other activity, a short service and a snack.

Shabbat Service and Dinner for Families with Young Children – Featuring Tiny Treasures

Friday | May 18 | Service $5:00 \, \text{pm}$ | Dinner approx. $5:30 - 6:30 \, \text{pm}$ | \$

Families with children ages 0-6 are invited to join our clergy for a family-friendly Kabbalat Shabbat service and dinner. This month's service features the Tiny Treasures Celebration & Blessing! All children born between June 1, 2010 and June 1, 2011 will be called to the bimah and honored. [Note: Birthday Blessings for children with May birthdays will be given at the Friday Evening service in the Sanctuary on May 11.]

Cost: \$35/members, \$45/non-members, \$15/children. Deadline to register is at noon on the Wednesday before the dinner.

To RSVP, go to www.pasyn.org and click on Young Family Education. Under Upcoming Events on the right side, click on the event name to access information and registration forms for each program. For dinners, cancellations with refund (or credit towards another dinner) are possible until the Wednesday before the dinner.

Open House Sessions for Toddler and Afterschool Programs

Not sure which of our programs for young children is right for your child? Come to an open house, sample the activities and learn about the programs that interest you!

In Fall 2012 we will again offer our morning programs Kitah Rishonah and HaMishpachah Sheli and our afternoon programs DramaZone, Krav Maga and Bilingual Birdies. Each Open House will offer a sample of activities and time for questions.

BILINGUAL BIRDIES | Wednesday | May 9 | 2:15 – 3:00 pm

KRAV MAGA | Thursday | May 10 | 2:30 - 3:15 pm

HAMISHPACHAH SHELI | Tuesday | May 29 | 9:30 - 10:30 am and 10:15 - 10:45 am

KITAH RISHONAH | Tuesday | May 29 | 11:00 – 11:30 am and 11:45 am – 12:15 pm

Registration is available online! Go to pasyn.org and click on Young Family Education. Click on the event on the right side of the page to register for the Open House sessions you want to attend. Click on the links on the left side of the page to register for classes and programs.





Tavim Youth Choir | Mondays | May 7 & 21 | 5:00 - 5:40 pm | Cantor Shiree Kidron

Tavim, the Park Avenue Synagogue Youth Choir, is open to anyone in grade 3 and up. The group learns music for Shabbat, holidays and just for fun. Tavim performs at services and celebrations during the year and also visits senior centers to entertain and sing with the residents.

For more information, please contact Gil Smuskowitz at gsmuskowitz@pasyn.org.

Youth Activities & RJNHS



3rd to 5th Grade Spring Sleepover

Saturday, May 5, 7:30 pm – Sunday, May 5, 8:30 am | for students in grades 3 – 5

Monthly Teen Event Series

The Jewish Presence in Big TV Media

Wednesday | May 16 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | for students in grades 8 - 12

Rabbi Judah Nadich High School Graduation

Tuesday | May 29 | immediately following the Tekkes Siyyum

- ANNOUNCING -

Early Childhood Center Applications for 2013-14

AS MEMBER FAMILIES WHO WOULD LIKE TO APPLY to the Park Avenue Synagogue Early Childhood Center for the 2013-14 school year are asked to call the school (212-369-2600, x150) and request an application form starting May 1, 2012.

All children who were born before April 1, 2011 are eligible for school in September 2013. The Park Avenue Synagogue Early Childhood Center adheres to its cut-off dates. Families who have been active longtime members of the synagogue are given special consideration; however, because of limits on class size and the need to balance groups in a variety of ways, membership does not guarantee acceptance. Please note that the ECC considers an applicant a member of PAS only if the

child's parents are members of the synagogue. Grandchildren of members are not considered members. There is an application fee of \$40 per child. The application process includes a visit and tour of the school by one or both parents and a separate visit with the child.

For the school year beginning in September 2012 there were approximately 55 openings. It will be very helpful to have some idea prior to September how many eligible member families are interested in a place for the 2013-14 school term. This will enable us to determine how many applications from new members or non-members we will be able to accept. Thank you so much for your interest in the school and for your cooperation.



IN THE SANCTUARY, look for the book basket near the ushers. There are Jewish books for children of all ages to look at while sitting quietly in their seats. Let your children enjoy the books during services and return them so that others may read them next time.

Bible Fund

Ronnie & David Parker *in honor of* their wedding anniversary. Ronnie & David Parker *in memory of* his father Herman Parker.

Bikur Cholim

Wallace Chavkin.

Florence Solomon, with appreciation

Frances Stewart *in memory of* her beloved parents Ilse & Fred Hahn on their birthdays.

Susan B. Vogelstein, David M. Vogelstein and Steven H. Vogelstein *in memory* of their beloved husband and father, Henry J. Vogelstein, and *in appreciation* of Marlene Muskin and her supportive committee during this difficult time.

Rabbi Cosgrove's Discretionary Fund

Dr. Gerald & Barbara Berg in memory of Jack Less.

Harvey & Eva Comita *in honor of* the Baby Naming of their granddaughter Matilda Rose Comita Queenborough.

Erica & Phil Herman in memory of Alona Katselnik's grandmother.

Carey Karmel in memory of her beloved grandmother Helen Sassower.

Gita Kaufman *in memory of* her beloved husband and "special friend" Curtis Kaufman.

Leona Leon *in loving memory of* her beloved husband Alexander Leon on his Yahrzeit.

Laila Levitas with thanks for a memorable Baby Naming for her granddaughter Ryan Lielle House.

Doris & Henry Murad *in appreciation for* conducting a beautiful Brit Milah for their great-grandson, Andrew Gavin Mendelson.

Alan & Dawn Nickman *in honor of* the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Mollie Nickman.

Harriet Rice *in memory of* her beloved husband Dr. Emanuel Rice on the occasion of his first Yahrzeit.

Lawrence & Natalie Rosenbloom *in honor of* the marriage of their daughter Emma Rosenbloom to Sam Hest.

Gayle & Howard Sobel with gratitude and in honor of Sienna Mary Sobel's Baby Naming.

Roxana Tetenbaum, in memory of her beloved father, Joseph Sobie.

Pauline & Milt Zablow in memory of her beloved mother, Dora Fields.

Pauline & Milt Zablow in honor of her birthday.

Pauline & Milt Zablow in honor of the marriage of Dr. Arturo & Caren

Constantiner's daughter Melissa Constantiner and Adam Lavine.

Marlene Zausner in appreciation.

Sarah I. Gelman Memorial Fund

Michael & Lynn Bell.

Carol Hendin Scholarship Fund

Jamie & Jason Gorman in honor of Carol Hendin.

High School Food Pantry

Barry Bryer in memory of his beloved mother, Sally Bryer.

Wallace Chavkin in honor of his birthday.

Anita Gluck with many thanks to Donald & Jo Ellen Bernstein.

Anita Gluck & Family *in loving memory of* a wonderful husband, father and grandfather, A. Stanley Gluck.

Dennis & Gail Karr in memory of Philippe Baumann, father of Andrea Lustig.

Dennis & Gail Karr in memory of Doris Charrow, mother of Charles Charrow.

Dennis & Gail Karr in memory of Marilyn Frisch, sister of Anita Gluck.

Ruth Rothseid in memory of her beloved father, Albert Rothseid.

Susan B. Vogelstein, David M. Vogelstein and Steven H. Vogelstein, *in memory of* their beloved husband and father, Henry J. Vogelstein, and *in appreciation of* Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove for his kindness and support during these times.

Meryl Wiener in memory of her beloved mother, Celia Wiener.

Library Fund

Julius Paige, *in memory of* his beloved father, Jake Pogrebinsky. John & Rachel Philipp *in honor of* Marga Hirsch.

Liturgical Music Fund

Babette Balis *in memory of* her beloved father, Walter M. Hoexter. Elaine, Eric & Elliot Balis *in memory of* their grandpa Walter Linda Ury Greenberg *in honor of* Maury Harris' special birthday.

Prayer Book Fund

Susan Joy Amster *in memory of* Ezra Denerstein. Frances F. Tompkins *in memory of* Ruth Schulman.

Jacqueline & Robert Willens in memory of Leon Shiffman.

Jacqueline & Robert Willens in memory of Dr. Marvin Norman.

Rabbi Rein's Discretionary Fund

Harvey & Eva Comita *in honor of* the Baby Naming of their granddaughter Matilda Rose Comita Queenborough.

Gita Kaufman *in memory of* her beloved husand and "special friend," Curtis Kaufman.

The Kushner Family in loving memory of Irving Levinberg.

Tikkum Olam Committee for Community Outreach

Lite & Arnold L. Sabin, *in memory of* Myra Pollack's beloved brother. Caroline Silver, *in honor of* the Bar Mitzvah of Alex Kaplan.

Welfare Fund

Milton Fuchs *in memory of* his beloved aunt Estelle Kratka. Alan H. Hirschfeld. Josephine Berger Nadler.

Yiddish Club Fund

The Kushner Family in loving memory of Sylvia Levinberg.

Synagogue Offerings

Ahou Abroon in memory of her beloved grandmother Malihe Banayan.

Dr. John Abroon $in\ memory\ of$ his beloved father, Hashem Abroon.

Dr. John Abroon in memory of his beloved grandmother Touran Benhuri.

Dr. John & Ahou Abroon in honor of their anniversary.

Dr. John & Ahou Abroon in honor of Anita Comite becoming a Bat Mitzvah.

Dr. John & Ahou Abroon *in memory of* Malihe Rastegar, beloved sister of Raymonda Rastegar Harnick.

Robert Adler in memory of his beloved mother, Vivian Adler.

Neva Martin Anton in honor of E.J. Borrack's birthday.

Alice Carb Berger, *in memory of* her beloved mother, Betty Carb Greenberg. Sandye Berger *in memory of* Esta Chavkin.

Marilyn Berman *in memory of* her beloved mother and father, Florence & Jerome Solomon.

Ernestine Bernstein in memory of her beloved father, Alexander Wolf.

Vivian Bernstein in memory of her beloved grandmother Marie Holub.

Mindy Birnbaum in memory of her beloved father, Stanley Birnbaum.

Dr. Michael Borodkin in memory of his beloved aunt Mildred Kornhauser.

Sonia Breindel in memory of her beloved son Eric Breindel.

Bernard Breslin in memory of his beloved mother, Henriette Breslin.

Clive & Bonnie Chajet in honor of their anniversary.

Jeff & Sheila Chapman in honor of Lily Rae Feuerstein

Wallace Chavkin in memory of his beloved father, Nathan Louis Chavkin.

Marvin J. Cohen *in honor of* his 91st birthday.

Robert Cohen in memory of his beloved father, Philip Cohen.

Harvey & Eva Comita in honor of their anniversary.

Linda Daitz in memory of her beloved father, William Rosenberg.

Dr. David Dane *in recognition of* Jennifer & Andrew Hoine on receiving their most deserved honor.

Synagogue Offerings continued

Morton Davis in memory of Clara & Solomon Davis.

Barbara Delgado in memory of her beloved father, Morris Brownstein.

Michael Delgado in memory of his beloved mother, Jean Pedolsky.

Irene Eisenberg in honor of her birthday.

Elizabeth Feiner in memory of her beloved mother, Pearl Cooper.

Elias Feuer & Ethel Rubinstein in honor of their anniversary.

Milton Fuchs in memory of his beloved father, Samuel Fuchs.

Gail Furman in memory of her beloved father, Alvin Gorin.

Phyllis Gallahou in memory of her beloved husband, Murray Gallahou.

Marilyn Garcy in memory of her beloved father, Irving Staum.

Dr. James Goldman *in memory of* his beloved father-in-law, Hyman Gilbert.

Howard Goldschein in memory of his beloved father Josef Goldschein.

Iris Goodgold, in memory of her beloved father, Maurice Goodgold.

William Gorin in memory of his beloved father, Alvin Gorin.

Alan H. Hirschfeld for Purim.

Steven Hirth in memory of his beloved father, Emanuel Hirth.

Shelley Holm in memory of her beloved father, Murry Erlich.

Carol Hyman in memory of her beloved mother-in-law, Mattie Hyman.

David Ishayik in memory of his beloved mother, Muzli Ishayik.

Alan Jacobs, in memory of his beloved mother, Shirley Jacobs.

Ruth & Al Jacobson in memory of Jack Less.

David Julie in honor of his birthday.

Carey Karmel.

Gita Kaufman in memory of her beloved husand and "special friend," Curtis

Carol Kosann & Maurice Rosenthal in memory of our dear friend Esta Chavkin.

Steven & Carol Kosann in memory of our dear friend Esta Chavkin.

Janet Kramer in memory of her beloved father, Irving Rosenfeld.

Dorothy Lang in loving memory of her husband, Joseph Lang.

Cantor David & Joan Lefkowitz in memory of Anita Gluck's dear sister, Marilyn Frisch.

Cantor David & Joan Lefkowitz in memory of Jack Less, beloved husband of

Rose Less.
Cantor & Mrs. David Lefkowitz *in memory of* her beloved father, Irving Mintzer.

Martin & Joan Levenson *in honor of* their 45th anniversary and membership in the Synagogue for 45 years.

Bernard Leventhal in memory of his beloved mother, Mynne Leventhal.

Phyllis Leventhal in loving memory of her beloved father, Dr. Leo Braun.

Jeanie & Henry Luskey in honor of Andrew & Jennifer Hoine.

Dr. Heidi Mandel in memory of her beloved father, Samuel Freeman.

Sheila Miller in memory of her beloved mother, Anne Bakcr.

Dr. Benjamin Mizrachy in memory of his beloved mother, Julia Mizrachy.

Nathan Moser & Rita Ungar Moser in honor of their 30th anniversary.

Rita Ungar Moser in memory of her beloved mother, Jerry Ungar.

Dr. Susan Murkofsky in memory of her beloved mother, June Sherkow.

Herbert Nadler in memory of his beloved mother, Mary Nadler.

Rachel & John Philipp in honor of their birthdays.

Stacey Pinke in honor of my Grandmother Irene Eisenberg cclebrating her 102nd

birthday.

James Robbins in memory of his beloved father-in-law, David Grad.

Dr. Hilary Ronner in memory of her beloved mother, Gladys Ronner.

Margaret Roth in memory of her beloved brother, David Stiefel.

Dr. Peter Rubin in memory of his beloved mother, Helen Rubin.

Dr. Neil Sadick in memory of his beloved mother, Shirley Sadick.

Stuart & Stephanie Saft.

Dr. Janet Weisberg-Samuels in honor of her birthday.

Richard Samuels in memory of his beloved father Jerome Samuels.

Richard Samuels & Dr. Janet Weisberg-Samuels, *in memory of* their beloved daughter Debra Samuels Greenberg.

Geri & Herb Sedler in honor of their 30th anniversary.

Florence Seligman in memory of her beloved father-in-law, Nathan Seligman.

Joshua & Tamar Shapiro, in honor of Sydney Jordana Shapiro.

Sylvia Shulman in memory of her beloved mother, Celia Weinstein.

Sylvia Shulman in memory of her beloved brother-in-law Abraham Shulman.

Esther Silver in memory of her beloved mother, Pauline Altfeld.

Nathan Royce Silverstein with thanks.

Gayle & Howard Sobel with gratitude and in honor of Sienna Mary Sobel's Baby

Ernest Stern *in memory of* his beloved mother, Henny Stern.

Dr. Helene Torker *in memory of* her beloved husband, Marvin Spielman.

Nancy Treiger *in memory of* her beloved mother, Ann Davis.

Nancy Treiger in memory of her beloved aunt Betty Rosenfeld.

Eve Urvater *in memory of* her beloved mother Rona Feuer.

Mrs. Lauren Veronis in memory of her beloved mother, Rae Nelson.

Leonard Weintraub in memory of his beloved father, Philip Weintraub.

Rafael & Dale Zaklad in honor of Mark Fraier.

Roberta Zuckerman in memory of her beloved mother, Tillie Greebel.

Have something to celebrate? Recovery from illness, a new grandchild, an engagement, or anything else for which you are grateful? Sponsor a breakfast kiddush any weekday after the morning minyan.

For more information, contact Sam Rosenberg at 212-369-2600, x105 or srosenberg@pasyn.org.

To arrange for this mitzvah, please call Rabbi Cosgrove's office at 212-369-2600, x120.

Know someone ill, elderly or homebound? The PAS Bikur Cholim Caring Committee – *in loving memory of Dr. Albert & Phyllis L. Cornell* – fulfills the mitzvah of visting the ill by reaching out to those in need through telephone calls, visits, and holiday packages. The Caring Committee's trained volunteers are committed to providing confidential hands-on support and companionship to the members of our congregation.



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Celebrate Israel Parade | SUNDAY | JUNE 3

Tikkun Olam Meeting | THURSDAY | JUNE 7 | 6:00 PM

Summer Soiree | TUESDAY | JUNE 26 | 7:00 PM

Join Cantor Shiree Kidron and other musicians for a melodic evening on the roof.

Context Mini-Course: Contemporary Jewish American Short Stories

WEDNESDAYS | JULY 11, 18, 25 AND AUGUST 1 | DR. WENDY ZIERLER

Explore fiction by Nathan Englander, Shalom Auslander, Allegra Goodman, Dara Horn and others. Wendy Zierler is associate professor of Modern Jewish Literature and Feminist Studies at HUC-JIR. Tuition: \$54/members; \$100 general. Register by June 26 at www.jtsa.edu/context/registration.

